as crew member for a major u.s airline, i can tell you that lifting this ban on cell phone use in-flight will, without a doubt, cause a dramatic increase in air rage incididents on board aircraft. this is a MAJOR safty issue and one that the FAA and the airlines work very hard to prevent, for obvious reasons. as working crew members, we have to determine and report ANY acts violence aboard our airplanes...passengers getting into altercations with each other can escalate and are not tolerated on board....up to and including the piolt in command diverting the arcraft and making an unscheduled landing....this WILL happen if this ban is lifted. i cannot see ANY benefit , and only major trouble, if this restriction is reversed. thank you.